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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Debord, et al.  
Appl. No. : 10/688,798  
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For : PERISHABLE PRODUCT  
ELECTRONIC LABEL  
INCLUDING TIME AND  
TEMPERATURE  
MEASUREMENT  
Examiner : Hung T. Nguyen  
Group Art Unit : 2636  
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 22, 2005**

Commissioner for Patents  
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In response to the final Office Action mailed November 22, 2005, Applicants submit the following remarks and respectfully request allowance of the above-identified patent application. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the telephonic interview extended to Applicants' counsel of record, Peter M. Midgley, on December 13, 2005. During the interview, the Examiner confirmed that the restriction requirement issued in the Office Action mailed March 9, 2005 has been withdrawn.

In addition, the Examiner acknowledged that the references cited in the final Office Action fail to disclose, teach or suggest an electronic monitoring and/or timing circuit comprising at least one register configured to tune the frequency of one or more oscillators or time-bases, as required by the claims of the present application. Accordingly, the Examiner agreed to allow the claims if this feature could not be found in the prior art.